

**THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF BROCK**

**MUNICIPAL ADMINISTRATION BUILDING**

**COUNCIL**

**SESSION FIVE**

**MONDAY, MARCH 13, 2006**

The Fifth Meeting of the Municipal Council of the Township of Brock, in the Regional Municipality of Durham, was held on Monday, March 13, 2006, in the Municipal Administration Building Council Chamber.

Members present:	Mayor:	Keith Shier
	Regional Councillor:	Larry O'Connor
	Councillors:	Karen Windatt
		John Grant
		Reg Starr
		Debbie Bath

Members absent:	Councillor:	Allan Simpson on vacation
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Staff Members present:	Clerk-Administrator George S. Graham (recording the minutes)
	Deputy Clerk-Administrator Thomas G. Gettinby
	Clerk-Stenographer Susan Creighton

I. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Keith Shier called the meeting to order at 10:04 a.m.

II. MOMENT OF MEDITATION/PERSONAL REFLECTION

III. DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST – N I L

IV. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

(1) 4th council meeting – February 27/06

Resolution No. 1-5

MOVED BY Larry O'Connor and SECONDED BY Karen Windatt that the minutes of the 4th council meeting as held on February 27, 2006, be taken as read, confirmed and signed by the Mayor and Clerk.

MOTION CARRIED

V. HEARING OF DEPUTATIONS

(1) 10:00 a.m. – Roger Anderson, Chair, Region of Durham – annual address to council

Region of Durham Chair Roger Anderson was in attendance to make his annual address to council by providing an update on the Region of Durham. He commented that this is his 9th annual visit to the municipality and due to the full gallery, he hoped that the audience was not there simply because of him!

Chair Anderson commented that it is good to be back in Brock Township and began with the good news from 2005, this being the signing of an Agreement with the Federal Government to flow the gas tax to municipalities, with Durham Region to receive \$4.9 million in 2005 and 2006, following which amounts will increase to a maximum of \$16.4 million in 2009. He commented that municipalities would like to see this transfer become a permanent revenue stream and not just a 5 year deal.

Another positive development was the signing of the federal-provincial-municipal memorandum of understanding on Affordable Housing under which \$11.2 million has been earmarked for Durham Region for new affordable housing units and \$2.35 million for housing subsidies. The Province provided some information on the rental subsidy portion of the program in December, however details on the capital program for rental and supportive housing projects have just arrived and Durham is reviewing the information in consultation with area municipalities to determine municipal participation.

There is a need to work quickly in this regard as the deadline for submitting plans is June 30, 2006.

Provincially, in December, some long-needed reforms to the Planning Act and the OMB process were introduced, these changes, if passed, are finally in response to recommendations made some time ago by AMO and by the GTA Task Force on OMB Reform.

The year 2005 ended with the Attorney General's announcement of the site for the new Durham Courthouse in downtown Oshawa.

Regionally, 2005 was an extremely busy and successful year with the new regional headquarters being completed on time and on budget and the implementation of Regional Transit. As Durham Region matures, transit must become an integrated part of the transportation system, which of course will take time. He explained that the northern community bus service which serves the Townships of Brock, Uxbridge and Scugog is a work in progress and that Durham Transit will be listening to customers and making adjustments to meet ridership demands. Included as part of the service to the three northern municipalities is a specialized transit service extended to serve physically disabled residents and operating 7 days per week, including evenings, providing door-to-door service Region wide.

In the area of waste management, significant progress has been made in 2005 and following an extensive public consultation, the Region submitted the Terms of Reference for an Environmental Assessment for a residual waste facility, to the MOE for approval, which facility when developed will be in partnership with York Region. In July, the Region-wide green bin composting program will get underway when the new indoor composting facility in Pickering opens for business.

Mr. Anderson advised that dealing with waste is an essential step in managing the growth which has been experienced in Whitby and other parts of the Region. In 2005, building permit activity in Durham was well ahead of the rest of the GTA with residential permits issued exceeding 2004 levels by 17% and a 10% increase in units under construction. Thanks to projects like the new school in Cannington and new facilities at GM the value of non-residential permits issued in 2005 was the 2nd highest level recorded in Durham Region.

In 2005 Durham Region helped establish the Durham Strategic Energy Alliance, the intent of which is to build on regional expertise and provide a framework for collaborative projects and research on new technologies, energy conservation strategies and alternative fuels.

The agriculture section is another key economic development focus for Durham with Durham working hard to support farmers and raise the profile of our rural businesses under the Rural Development Strategy. Durham Region provided an exhibit at the 2005 Royal Winter Fair which featured several regional participants.

In 2006, regional staff will work with the local school boards to present the Farm Connections program whereby approximately 1500 Grade 3 students and teachers will participate in a 3 day agricultural awareness program for which there is a waiting list of schools wishing to participate. Durham Region is also working with the Durham Farm Fresh Association to develop "Savour Durham" as part of Ontario's culinary tourism strategy and build awareness of our region's agri-food industry.

Chair Anderson advised that investment in infrastructure is also key to Durham's economic development with the reconstruction of River Street in Sunderland being undertaken at a project value of \$2.8 million. Another \$600,000 was invested in rehabilitation projects on Regional Road 12 near Wilfrid and on Lakeridge Road from Regional Road 12 to Highway 48.

In 2006 bridge replacement will be the major focus in Brock with \$1.4 million being invested to replace the bridge on Regional Road 13 over the Layton River and the bridge on Regional Road 12 (Cameron Street) over a branch of the Beaver River. Pending budget approval, road rehabilitation work, valued at over \$1 million is planned in Brock including part of Regional Road 13 from the Layton River Bridge towards Highway 12 and a 1.9 km section of Lakeridge Road between Regional Road 12 and Highway 48.

There are several regional water and waste water projects on track for 2006 in Brock starting with the commencement of the Environmental Assessment process required for the development of a new well to service Sunderland by 2009. A MOE source water protection grant for studies to further delineate the Cannington well head protection area has been received and as well standby power will be installed at the Harbour Pumping Station in Beaverton at a total project cost of \$250,000. At \$30 million, Lakeview Manor is the Region's largest capital project in Brock.

Chair Anderson addressed the fact that municipalities continue to fall behind in infrastructure investment and until the federal and provincial governments address this under funding, we will never catch up. He advised of the need to secure commitments to municipalities made by the previous government for things like the gas tax, infrastructure programs and child care spaces. He addressed the recent and emerging provincial policies that present a picture of reduced municipal authority and increased financial responsibilities and the fact that municipalities must constantly remind the province that efforts to refocus the growth of our communities or to protect water resources require a partnership which must include provincial funding, tools and incentives to support the policy goals.

Chair Anderson advised that the new planning legislation has made it difficult to conclude the review of the Regional O/P, however that staff are on track to complete the review by September 2006. This delay may actually have worked to the advantage of Durham Region in that they are "ahead of the curve" in terms of readiness to implement and can tell the province that this is how Durham sees the provincial policy playing out in Durham.

In early 2006, the media seemed to be filled with bad news including the rise of gun violence and the potential health threat of avian flu. Auto sector announcements have been negative, however Durham Region is taking action and working to be part of the solution on these issues. Chair Anderson advised that with respect to auto sector layoffs he believes partnerships will be built to diversify Durham's economy and bring new good paying jobs to the region. He believes that the Project Beacon and other research initiatives will bring new kinds of automotive jobs in the form of development of innovative hybrid vehicles using bio-fuels which will offer new opportunities for the community.

In closing, Chair Anderson advised that positive things are happening in Durham on complex issues with some projects being in the early stages and results taking time. On the other hand, Durham is leading the pack in other areas, working together, foraging ahead and becoming an emerging power.

Regional Councillor Larry O'Connor enquired whether there is any threat from the Federal Government that the expansion of Gillespie Gardens will not proceed, to which Chair Anderson advised that the only apparent threat is the short time span in which Durham must work if they are to make use of the monies available.

Regional Councillor Larry O'Connor referenced the child care debate which took place at a recent regional council meeting, noting further that there are two child care centres are on the books for Brock Township and is there any action that the Brock council needs to take to ensure the 770 spaces and \$25 million in funding promised by the federal government. Chair Anderson advised that Durham is taking the same action as other municipalities insofar as motions to the federal government in this regard, advising further that the only possible problem he foresees is the fact that federal government funding is for one year only and can Durham Region justify investing tax dollars to sustain the child care spaces created and funded for a one term. He advised that this issue will need to be debated during 2006 budget discussions.

Regional Councillor O'Connor expressed his appreciation for the work undertaken in the Sunderland area. He advised that growth in Cannington is limited and of the need to take action to ensure that in 10 years time Cannington will be able to at least grow modestly. Chair Anderson advised that he does not wish to see growth curtailed in Brock and that no growth results in high taxes which the public does not want. He advised of adjustments within the Durham O/P to allow growth but that these adjustments must be defended and fit with Provincial Policy.

Councillor John Grant commented concerning land use conflicts within the Durham O/P and Brock O/P noting for example the fact that the Durham O/P permits cemeteries in urban areas only when all of Brock's cemeteries are in rural areas. Councillor John Grant also advised of problems residents have been having in dealing with Durham Access to Care in that they cannot be accessed.

Chair Roger Anderson responded to Councillor Grant advising that it is no secret that he is not in favour of the Province's Growth Plan or Greenbelt Legislation regardless of what the planners say. He advised that if Brock has concerns respecting Durham's O/P, the Regional Planning Committee needs to be made aware of these concerns during the O/P review. He commented further that Mayor Shier and Regional Councillor O'Connor bring strong voices to Durham Region on behalf of the Township of Brock and should do so in this regard.

Insofar as Councillor Grant's comment concerning Durham Access to Care he advised that he will have to look into this situation as he currently does not have an answer and will get back to the council on the subject matter.

Councillor Grant enquired whether the day care centres proposed in Cannington and Beaverton are still a go in 2006 and was advised that these proposals will be revisited during 2006 regional budget discussions in view of the large regional investment that will be required to sustain them after one year.

Councillor Reg Starr welcomed Chair Anderson and requested that he comment on the regional budget implications in Brock of the OMERS bill, transit and police, to which Chair Anderson advised there will be no OMERS impact in 2006 but in 2008 and 2009 there could be a 3% increase on the tax bill. Insofar as transit he advised that you get what you pay for and that because municipalities cannot keep up with road infrastructure improvements, regional transit will be required to take cars off the roads.

Chair Anderson advised he does not agree that Brock didn't see an increase in policing in 2005 noting that 26 Division received two additional officers in 2005, and although the police budget is still not where they would like to see it, the Chief has advised that to make further cuts will result in cuts to staff resulting in a cut to service. Staff or service cuts are difficult decisions to make and that it is his personal opinion that the police budget has been reduced as far as it can be.

Councillor Starr enquired whether Durham Region proposes a 0% budget this year and was advised that it currently sits at a 5.5 -6% increase and that although there is still work to be done, he feels this will be about as good as it gets.

Councillor Debbie Bath thanked Chair Anderson for his support as President of AMO in the fight for more provincial funding and less downloading. She commented that the costs surrounding the Clean Water Act should remain a provincial responsibility and the fact that the Greenbelt Legislation has stifled any growth in Brock with the taxpayers paying a high price. She thanked the Regional Chair for the manner in which regional staff dealt with the businesses in Sunderland during the River Street road reconstruction project and requested his assistance in having regional staff "look outside the box" to take measures to make the intersection at Regional Roads 13 and 23 safer in light of a recent fatality. She advised further that a group is being formed with respect to safety at this intersection and would he be willing to meet with this group some time in May?

Chair Anderson advised he and his staff would be willing to meet with the group, although he is not aware of significant accidents at this intersection which would make it a high priority. He advised that he will speak with staff regarding intersection improvements, the next step being to find the budget dollars to fund any improvements.

Councillor Karen Windatt advised that she has been present for all nine of Chair Anderson's visits to the Brock Council and that over the 9 years many of the same concerns have been raised. She advised it is often difficult for municipal councillors to defend the region's position/policy and this meeting will show the residents in attendance the importance of Durham Region to Brock Township. She urged Mayor Shier and Regional Councillor O'Connor to make Durham Region aware of Brock's uniqueness and that things that work in south Durham Region do not necessarily apply in Brock, noting further that we are proud of our uniqueness and only want a fair shake for our dollars.

Councillor John Grant commented that the residents present in the gallery today are here to express their concerns regarding the condition of municipal roads. He is pleased to hear of improvements proposed for Lakeridge Road, advising further of the poor condition of Mara Road which is deteriorating quickly and is currently not on the Region's 5 year road forecast for improvements. Councillor Grant also referenced the use of the Brock landfill site by Durham Region and the fact that Brock is not a willing host of Durham's waste.

Chair Anderson responded to Councillor Grant by advising that he will have staff revisit the Mara Road concern and that insofar as the use of the Brock landfill he does understand Brock's position however that our waste problem is not going away and will only get worse before it gets better. He would rather Brock deal with Durham's garbage vs. garbage from Toronto and advised that he has recently spoken to the MOE concerning the EA required for Durham's proposed residual waste project and that the required agreement is very close to being signed. This project is however, still 5-10 years in the future and although he does not feel it will be necessary to open the Brock landfill to Durham's garbage, it remains an option until the border issue has been resolved.

Mayor Keith Shier requested Chair Anderson speak as President of AMO with respect to the gas tax and was advised that his term as AMO President is up in August of this year and as grateful as he is for the gas tax there is a need for the Harper Government to extend the agreement and make it a permanent funding source. He advised that the province needs to revisit the gas tax and expand its use to items other than transit. He commented that if transit is not available in municipalities that this money could be put towards road infrastructure as their roads are their form of transit.

Mayor Shier commented that municipalities do not have the money to improve their road systems to which Chair Anderson advised of the need to keep pressuring the province in this regard. He commented that if the province took back 1/3 of downloaded costs that municipalities would have 1/3 more to invest in infrastructure. He noted further that Ontario is the only province in Canada that pays for health care costs through taxes.

Regional Councillor Larry O'Connor advised that 10 years ago Brock lost \$1 million annually in roads funding and that it would be useful to know the impact to other municipalities. Chair Anderson advised that this information is readily available through AMO.

Mayor Shier thanked Chair Anderson for his presentation.

(2) **11:00 a.m.** – YWCA – Durham – June English, HR Manager – 2006 Women of Distinction Award

Ms. June English, HR Manager for the YWCA Durham attended before the council to discuss the 2006 Women of Distinction Award which is the YWCA's signature annual fundraising event.

Ms. English provided some background as to who the YWCA is, advising that in 1945 Sam and Adelaide McLaughlin deeded property at 33 McGrigor Street in Oshawa to the YWCA of Canada for a local YWCA as they were concerned that there was no place for young working women to live, teens to gather or a place for women to meet. Since that time, the YWCA has evolved into a safe, nonjudgmental site that helps women and children in the region learn, play and expand their lives.

The YWCA is celebrating 61 years of service. The following are examples of their work:

- More than 23,000 meals served in their emergency hostel
- Provision of rent-geared-to-income housing for hard to house women
- Summer Day Camp at the Family Program Centre for 300-400 children annually
- 2003 designation as the Ontario Early Years Centre in the Oshawa Riding providing free services and programs for children 0-6 years of age, their parents and caregivers. In 2005 this program served 679 children and 497 parents/caregivers.
- 100 women served in the Y's Wish, a 15 bed shelter for abused women and their children which offers a safe, secure environment
- Y's Choice Catering – a business that was started to help bring in needed funding to support the organization as a whole. It has proven very successful in that they are now providing catering to a few larger businesses and events within Durham Region.

Ms. English advised that the Women of Distinction Award is the YWCA's signature fundraising event which also showcases the talents of women in addition to providing much needed funding. This year's event will be held on May 11 at the Deer Creek Golf and Banquet Facility in Ajax where up to seven awards of distinction will be presented to women over the age of 25 and young women between the ages of 16-24 who have exemplified leadership qualities through their achievements as individuals, members of their communities and as role models for others.

The cost to nominate someone is \$60.00 which includes your nominee's ticket to the Women of Distinction Gala. As well the Nominee's Tea is held on April 22, 2006 where nominees are presented with a memorial certificate acknowledging their contributions to Durham Region.

All nominations will be judged by a selection committee comprised of an independent group of women from across Durham Region and are kept confidential. The deadline for nominations is March 31, 2006. Ms. English advised that the YWCA welcomes sponsorships for this event which start at \$500.00 as well as silent auction items. She advised that it is important to acknowledge the Township of Brock as part of Durham Region and that the YWCA does serve residents in the municipality as well as having women of distinction. She advised that a supply of nomination forms will be left with staff for display.

Mayor Keith Shier enquired as to the age criteria for nomination and was advised that in the category of young women, nominees are between the ages of 16-24 and in the category of women, it is open to anyone over the age of 25.

Regional Councillor Larry O'Connor acknowledged the funding challenge being faced by organizations operating hostels in that the province only funds 50% of one night's stay. He enquired how much is raised annually through the gala and was advised that over the past couple of years the event and event sponsorship has grown greatly. Although the event does not bring in all the funding required by the YWCA, it raised \$13,000.00 last year. Regional Councillor Larry O'Connor enquired whether posters are available for posting in the area and was advised that their supply of posters have currently been distributed, however that a large supply of nomination forms are currently available and posters can be provided once a new supply has been received.

#### Resolution No. 2-5

MOVED BY Reg Starr and SECONDED BY Debbie Bath that Brock Township Council acknowledges the Women of Distinction Committee and their work in Durham Region and Brock Township participation.

MOTION CARRIED

Mayor Keith Shier advised that the residents in attendance today are not on the agenda as a deputation, however would like to address council. He enquired whether it is the wish of council to waive procedural rules and allow this group to speak?

#### Resolution No. 3-5

MOVED BY Reg Starr and SECONDED BY Larry O'Connor that Brock Council waive the rules to hear the concerns of the residents of the 14th concession of Brock.

MOTION CARRIED

#### (3) Olga Kuzmich and Marilyn Beatty re: Road Conditions

Olga Kuzmich and Marilyn Beatty et al were present due to the condition of the rural roads. Acting as spokesperson, Ms. Kuzmich advised that she has been a resident of concession 14 in the former Brock area of the municipality since 1992 and that she is quite perturbed by the deteriorating road conditions in the immediate vicinity. She advised that she lived in Northern Ontario in the late 1970's and that the logging/mining roads were a pleasure to drive compared to Brock's road system. She further commented that weather conditions did not appear to influence the condition of the mining/logging roads. In general, Ms Kuzmich advised that Brock's rural roads are unfit to travel or walk on and that someone's life/property could be compromised should an emergency occur in that emergency response vehicles would have difficulty reaching their

destination in a timely manner due to the rough roads. Ms. Kuzmich addressed the damage experienced to vehicles, the impact on rural mail delivery, real estate, and local agriculture (milk and fuel pickup/delivery), and to the students riding on the school buses traversing these roads due to the rough road conditions and the immediate need to improve the roads. She also commented on the impact of road products being used on local waterways, as the stream adjacent her residence is a "sickly" color and that possibly it is time to draw this concern to the MNR or MOE.

Ms. Kuzmich suggested that maybe it is time to retrain our Public Works Staff as to how to grade our roads or to import experienced workers in this regard. She commented that the roads in the former Township of Mariposa are in better condition and that Brock not shirk their duties and undertake regular road inspections, schedule road repairs and possibly even hardtop the road surfaces in order to provide safe roads. It was indicated that concession roads 13 and 14 and sideroad 18A are especially hazardous.

Ms. Kuzmich advised that in the event that road conditions do not improve, she will be going to the media as well as retaining legal counsel. In closing she invited members of council to travel these roads to experience first hand what the residents experience daily.

Mrs. Marilyn Beatty advised that she does not have anything different to say however it has taken her 20 minutes to travel from Sideroad 18A to Hwy. 12 and that she as well as other residents no longer shop locally due to the rough roads that must be driven in order to shop locally.

Regional Councillor Larry O'Connor thanked the residents in attendance for coming to express their concerns. He reiterated his comment to Chair Roger Anderson respecting the loss of funding dollars from the Province for road repairs and the need to pressure the government for more funding as the municipality is unable to make any progress with road funding short of drastically raising taxes. He requested that the deputation provide a copy of their presentation to staff in order that it can be forwarded to the AMO, and to the Ministries of Transportation and Finance.

Ms. Kuzmich advised that she also has copies of emails she has received from local residents expressing their concerns regarding our roads that will also be submitted as part of the presentation.

Councillor John Grant thanked the deputation for the presentation and for the invitation extended to members of council to drive the roads to experience first hand the condition thereof. He further advised it is always good to remind council of adverse road conditions from a health and safety and economic point of view.

He advised those present that budget deliberations will soon be undertaken by council and that the public meeting which forms part of these deliberations would be a good opportunity for residents to be part of the process, to which Ms. Kuzmich asked how road works are prioritized. Councillor Grant responded by advising that a lot of work goes into the preparation of the budget and the budget meetings are open to the public to attend.

Mayor Keith Shier enquired of the Finance Committee Chair when the public budget meeting is slated to take place and was advised a firm date has yet to be set however it will be held either late in April or in May.

Mrs. Marilyn Beatty enquired where the dollars are that the new administration building was supposed to save tax payers and why hasn't this money been used on our road system? Mayor Keith Shier responded to this question advising that the municipality works hard to maintain our road system and that council is aware of the current rough conditions as he drives our roads as much as anyone. He confirmed that our roads are inspected regularly and that last fall it was felt that progress was being made insofar as the amount of gravel budgeted for and applied to our roads. He further commented that worsening road conditions can be expected in the future due to global warming.

Mrs. Beatty commented that perhaps if the gravel that is mostly clay was not used on our roads, the graders would have more success in grading out potholes, to which Mayor Shier advised that the gravel used on municipal roads is up to standard. Mrs. Beatty commented further that possibly instead of spending money on gravel that it should be spent paving our roads, to which Mayor Shier advised that he does not disagree that pavement would be a solution to the problem, however that there is always the issue of funding.

Mrs. Beatty enquired whether the municipal insurance will pay for vehicle repairs as the result of the rough roads and was advised that residents have the option of submitting a claim which is subsequently referred to the municipal insurers. Mrs. Beatty advised of the need for the grass and brush to be cut from the roadsides in a timely manner, and was advised by the Mayor that municipal staff will endeavour to look after this.

Mrs. Fran Doble pointed out that the cost to pave roads would be a small price to pay should there ever be an accident as the result of road conditions resulting in a law suit.

Mrs. Marilyn Beatty enquired what immediate action the municipality plans to take to improve road conditions, adding that when the grader works in wet conditions the roads turn to soup, and was advised that comments have been noted and will be referred to staff for action. Mrs. Beatty commented further that residents on concessions 13 and 14 always know when the sludge trucks are going to start to move as their road is graded.

Resolution No. 4-5

MOVED BY Reg Starr and SECONDED BY Debbie Bath that Brock Township Council requests staff to give regard to an increase in the 2006 works budget for the enhancements of our sideroads.

MOTION CARRIED

Resolution No. 5-5

MOVED BY Larry O'Connor and SECONDED BY Reg Starr that Public Works Staff be requested to deal with road conditions as soon as it is possible as those in attendance are looking for some immediate reassurance and do not want to wait until the budget has been passed.

MOTION CARRIED

Resolution No. 6-5

MOVED BY Larry O'Connor and SECONDED BY Karen Windatt that we break for a 5 minute recess at 11:45 a.m.

MOTION CARRIED

Mayor Keith Shier reconvened the meeting at 12:02 p.m. with the same members of council and staff in attendance.

VI. PETITIONS – N I L

VII. COMMUNICATIONS SUBMITTED TO COUNCIL

Group I – Receive & File

363 T.G. Gettinby – Report 2006-Council-02 – Sunderland Business Improvement Association – Establishment of a Business Improvement Area

Councillor John Grant requested that a copy of this report be forwarded to the Sunderland Business Improvement Association.

422 Rural Ontario Medical Program – *The ROMP Newsletter* – February 2006

431 LSRCA – News Release – *The Honourable David Ramsay salutes the Lake Simcoe Region Conservation Authority at 55th Annual General Meeting*

432 Ministry of Public Infrastructure Renewal – *PIR Net News* – February 2006

438 Durham Region – *Council Highlights* – February 15, 2006

441 LSRCA – Appointment to the Lake Simcoe Region Conservation Authority Administrative Committee

442 Durham Tourism – Tourism Update Newsletter – March issue

- 447 Stewardship Ontario – Re: Letter from Daniel K. Steen, Owens Illinois (OI) Canada dated January 31, 2006
- 466 Lakeridge Health – Public Service Announcement to Patients and Visitors of Lakeridge Health Port Perry – *Using Ambulance Entrance Endangers Patients, Visitors, Staff and Paramedics*
- 467 Lakeridge Health – *Neighbour to Neighbour* – March 2006
- 468 OGRA/ROMA Combined Conference – *Conference Sessions now on-line*
- 469 Toronto Real Estate Board – *Legislative Update* – Winter 2006
- 471 GO Transit – response to letter re: GO service in the Township of Brock
- 472 Canadian Nuclear Safety Commission – Notice of Public Hearing – EA Screening – Bruce Power Inc.
- 474 Durham Region Transit – Community Bus Service – Township of Brock

Councillor Reg Starr requested that a deputation from Durham Transit be arranged prior to council's summer recess.

- 475 Township of Uxbridge – Direct Election of Regional Chair
- 479 Federation of Canadian Municipalities – *World Urban Forum 3 in Vancouver*
- 480 Independent Electricity System Operator – providing copy of the Independent Electricity System Operator's (IESO's) Ontario Reliability Outlook
- 481 Owens-Illinois, Inc. – response to Stewardship Ontario's "Key Facts on Glass Recycling in Ontario"
- 482 Cowan – *News & Views* – February 2006

Regional Councillor Larry O'Connor requested that correspondence number 482 be forwarded to those residents in Sunderland in charge of the outdoor ice rink, as there are some useful facts contained within the document.

- 484 Nurse Practitioners – News from the Canadian Nurse Practitioner Initiative (CNPI)
- 486 Kawartha Conservation – *Update on Conservation* – March/April 2006
- 488 Durham Region Safer Bars Coalition – 2006 Safer Bars Workshop and Training Series
- 492 Greater Toronto Marketing Alliance – GTMA Invitation: Launch of the Branham 300 – Canada's Leading IT Companies
- 495 Greenbelt Council – Office of the Chair – response to letter re: Township of Brock Planning Committee's endorsement of Durham Regional Council's resolution
- 500 Ministry of Natural Resources – gun hunting on Sundays
- 501 City of Kawartha Lakes – Provincial Relief
- 502 City of Kawartha Lakes – Source Water Protection
- 503 City of Kawartha Lakes – Municipal Property Assessment Corporation
- 505 Durham Clerk's Department to AMO – Removal of Barriers to Family Physicians

Regional Councillor Larry O'Connor advised that he will be submitting a motion under "Others" with respect to communication 505/06.

- 506 AMO – For Your Information – *2006 OGRA/ROMA Combined Conference – Announcements*
- 507 AMO – Alert re: *CUPE Strike Called Off, Review of Bill 206 to Occur in 2012*
- 508 AMO – Alert re: *Province Announces Funding for Forestry Sector*
- 509 AMO – Alert re: *Update on Proposed Amendment to Municipal Council Term*
- 512 Barry Devolin, MP, Haliburton-Kawartha Lakes-Brock – *More Passport Clinics*
- 513 Central East Local Health Integration Network – Framework for Community Engagement and Local Health Planning

Councillor Debbie Bath requested input from Regional Councillor Larry O'Connor insofar as communication 513 and the LHINS to which Regional Councillor O'Connor advised that our LHINS area is huge stretching from Victoria Park to Algonquin Park. On March 31, at 12 noon, Mr. Foster Loucks, Chair of the Central East Local Health Integration Network, will speak at the Greenbank United Church on this issue, and that it would be advantageous for interested members of council attend to hear him speak. He advised that it is his intent to take this document to the CHC for their input and response, to which Councillor Bath stated that if there is need for council to respond to this document, that Regional Councillor O'Connor will advise accordingly. Councillor Bath commented that the large area of the Central East LHINS and lack of information is a concern.

Regional Councillor O'Connor advised that when Bill 36 to create the LHINS was passed, he addressed this issue on behalf of ALPHA, although not from a public health point of view as it did not address the 5 principals of primary health care. The intent of the LHINS is to take health from the Ministry of Health and give it to the area LHINS and that Ontario is currently the only Province in Canada that has not implemented this system. He explained that the challenges are complex, for example Uxbridge Hospital is part of a different LHINS than the Port Perry Hospital. There is also the fear from hospital workers insofar as work being outsourced and jeopardizing hospital care. He added that the government has so far listened to some concerns.

- 519 AMO – Alert re: *OMERS Bill 206 – Status of Supplemental Plans*

Resolution No. 7-5

MOVED BY Larry O'Connor and SECONDED BY Karen Windatt that communications no. 363, 422, 431, 432, 438, 441, 442, 447, 466, 467, 468, 469, 471, 472, 474, 475, 479, 480, 481, 482, 484, 486, 488, 492, 495, 500, 501, 502, 503, 505, 506, 507, 508, 509, 512, 513 and 519 be received for the information of council and filed.

MOTION CARRIED

Resolution No. 8-5

MOVED BY Reg Starr and SECONDED BY John Grant that Brock Township Council requests a deputation from Durham Region Transit to update us on community bus service in Brock, reference 474/06.

MOTION CARRIED

Resolution No. 9-5

MOVED BY John Grant and SECONDED BY Larry O'Connor that Brock Township Council refer Report 2006-Council-02 to the Sunderland Business Improvement Association for their information, reference communication 363.

MOTION CARRIED

Resolution No. 10-5

MOVED BY Larry O'Connor and SECONDED BY Karen Windatt that Brock Council supports and endorse the position of the City of Kawartha Lakes in communication # 501/06.

MOTION CARRIED

Group II – Communications Referred to CommitteePlanning Committee

476 Town of Whitby to Planning Reform Group – Bill 51 – *Planning and Conservation Land Statute Law Amendment Act, 2005* Proposed Changes to the *Planning Act*, Province of Ontario

490 Anne MacDermid – proposal for grant from Greenbelt Foundation

Resolution No. 11-5

MOVED BY Larry O'Connor and SECONDED BY Karen Windatt that communications no. 476 and 490 be referred to the next regular meeting of the Planning Committee to be held on March 20, 2006.

MOTION CARRIED

Protection to Persons & Property Committee

416 Durham Clerk's Department to Attorney General – Replica and Imitation Firearms

493 GTAH Mayors & Regional Chairs Group – Replica and Imitation Firearms By-law

Resolution No. 12-5

MOVED BY Karen Windatt and SECONDED BY Larry O'Connor that communications no. 416 and 493 be referred to the next regular meeting of the Protection to Persons & Property Committee to be held on March 20, 2006.

MOTION CARRIED

Administration & Personnel Committee

456 OMERS – *Employer Update* – Winter 2006

494 Hicks Morley – *Client Update* – March 6, 2006

Resolution No. 13-5

MOVED BY John Grant and SECONDED BY Karen Windatt that communications no. 456 and 494 be referred to the next regular meeting of the Administration & Personnel Committee to be held on March 27, 2006.

MOTION CARRIED

Resolution No. 14-5

MOVED BY Reg Starr and SECONDED BY Larry O'Connor that we break for lunch at 12:25 p.m. to reconvene at 1:30 p.m.

MOTION CARRIED

Mayor Keith Shier reconvened the meeting at 1:40 p.m. with the same members of council and staff in attendance.

Group III – Communications Submitted for Action

454 CUPE – Early Learning and Care – Best Start Plan

- 491 Town of Collingwood – response to the Water Expert Panel Report – request for support of resolution

Resolution No. 15-5

MOVED BY John Grant and SECONDED BY Karen Windatt that communications # 454 and 491 be received for information and filed.

MOTION CARRIED

- 388 T.G. Gettinby – Report 2006-Council-01 – Municipal Election – November 13, 2006 – Vote by Mail – Automated Vote Tabulation

Deputy Clerk-Administrator Thomas Gettinby advised that it is the intent of the municipality to lease two and possibly three of the automated vote tabulators for use on election day. He advised it is staff's intent to start opening the ballots at approximately 3:00 p.m. on election day in order that results will be available to the public by approximately 9:00 p.m. that same evening, and those opening the ballots and any election scrutineers will be sequestered during this time period.

Councillor Karen Windatt requested a refresher concerning vote by mail, and was advised that the ballots will be mailed out on or before October 20, 2006 to be returned by mail no later than November 3, 2006 to ensure delivery to the municipal office. He noted that election day is the day that post offices will be taking as their Remembrance Day holiday, therefore any ballots posted on that day will not be received in time. Notices to this effect will be posed locally. He further noted that this was the case during the 2000 municipal elections and there did not appear to be any issues. Mr. Gettinby pointed out that ballot boxes will be available at the municipal office for those wishing to deposit their ballot directly into a ballot box.

Resolution No. 16-5

MOVED BY John Grant and SECONDED BY Karen Windatt that Brock Township Council approve the recommendations contained in Report 2006-Council-01, reference communication 388/06.

MOTION CARRIED

- 423 The Canadian Hearing Society – request for proclamation of Hearing Awareness Month

Resolution No. 17-5

MOVED BY Larry O'Connor and SECONDED BY Karen Windatt that Brock Council proclaim May as Hearing Awareness Month as requested by the Canadian hearing Society, reference communication # 423/06.

MOTION CARRIED

- 424 Alzheimer Society – Making “Sweet Memories” in the Great Municipal Chocolate Challenge

Resolution No. 18-5

MOVED BY Larry O'Connor and SECONDED BY Karen Windatt that Brock Council receive correspondence # 424/06 and post the information to encourage representative from Brock.

MOTION CARRIED

- 459 Durham Tourism – Registration for Beyond the City Lights – Rural Tourism Conference, April 25th, Peterborough

Resolution No. 19-5

MOVED BY Debbie Bath and SECONDED BY Reg Starr reference communication # 459 – Durham Tourism, that council has no objection to members of council or staff who wish to attend the Rural Tourism Conference April 25th.

MOTION CARRIED

485 Angela Jollow and Michael Nicholson – requesting permission for use of park area in Barkey Subdivision for wedding ceremony

Resolution No. 20-5

MOVED BY Reg Starr and SECONDED BY Debbie Bath that Brock Township Council has no objection to the request contained within communication # 485.

MOTION CARRIED

498 Durham Region Labour Council – request for proclamation of Day of Mourning – April 28/06

Resolution No. 21-5

MOVED BY John Grant and SECONDED BY Karen Windatt that Brock Township proclaim April 28, 2006 as Day of Mourning, reference communication 498/06.

MOTION CARRIED

504 Township of Severn – Endorsement of Resolution – Aggregate Resources

Resolution No. 22-5

MOVED BY Larry O'Connor and SECONDED BY Karen Windatt that Brock Council supports the resolution by the Township of Severn for the creation of haul routes, reference communication # 504/06.

MOTION CARRIED

510 Pelmorex - Pelmorex's All Channel Alert (ACA) proposal – CRTC Application #2004-1260-2; Public Hearing CRTC 2006-03 – Deadline for formal support: April 6, 2006

Resolution No. 23-5

MOVED BY John Grant and SECONDED BY Karen Windatt that Brock Township Council restate previous approval in principle of an All Channel Alert, reference communication # 510.

MOTION CARRIED

VIII. REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

(1) 2nd Administration & Personnel Committee – February 27/06

Resolution No. 24-5

MOVED BY John Grant and SECONDED BY Karen Windatt that the minutes of the 2nd meeting of the Administration & Personnel Committee as held on February 27, 2006, be adopted as a report of that committee.

MOTION CARRIED

- (2) 3rd Public Works Committee – March 6/06

Resolution No. 25-5

MOVED BY Debbie Bath and SECONDED BY Reg Starr that the minutes of the 3rd meeting of the Public Works Committee as held on March 6, 2006, be adopted as a report of that committee.

MOTION CARRIED

- (3) 3rd Parks & Recreation Committee – March 6/06

Resolution No. 26-5

MOVED BY Debbie Bath and SECONDED BY Reg Starr that the minutes of the 3rd meeting of the Parks & Recreation committee as held on March 6, 2006, be adopted as a report of that committee.

MOTION CARRIED

- (4) 5th Planning Committee – March 6/06

Resolution No. 27-5

MOVED BY Larry O'Connor and SECONDED BY Karen Windatt that the minutes of the 5th meeting of the Planning Committee as held on March 6, 2006, be adopted as a report of that committee.

MOTION CARRIED

IX. MOTIONS

To execute lease agreement between the Corporation of the Township of Brock and The Greer Galloway Group Inc. with respect to premises at the Sunderland Town Hall

Resolution No. 28-5

MOVED BY Larry O'Connor and SECONDED BY Karen Windatt that the Mayor and Clerk-Administrator be and they are hereby authorized to execute a lease agreement between the Corporation of the Township of Brock and The Greer Galloway Group Inc. for premises at the Sunderland Town Hall for the term March 19, 2006, to and including September 16, 2006.

MOTION CARRIED

X. CONSIDERATION OF BY-LAWS

Resolution No. 29,30,31-5

By-law Number 1986-2006-PW – to authorize the execution of an addendum agreement between the Corporation of the Township of Brock and Her Majesty the Queen in Right of Ontario as represented by the Minister of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs with respect to the Ontario Small Town and Rural Development Infrastructure Initiative, was read three times and passed in open council. The Mayor and Clerk-Administrator were authorized to sign the by-law on behalf of the municipality and to have same engrossed in the by-law book of the municipality.

Resolution No. 32,33,34-5

By-law Number 1987-2006-AP – to confirm the proceedings of the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Brock at its meetings held on February 13 and 27, 2006, was read three times and passed in open council. The Mayor and Clerk-Administrator were authorized to sign the by-law on behalf of the municipality and to have same engrossed in the by-law book of the municipality.

XI. GENERAL ITEMS AND ENQUIRIES

## (1) Mayor Keith Shier - Report to Council

Mayor Keith Shier reported concerning ridership on the North Durham Community Bus route, advising that ridership in Brock was 13 in January and 72 in February. He advised of similar increases in the Townships of Uxbridge and Scugog.

Mayor Keith Shier advised of a news release from Durham Region concerning the bale wrap program. He provided a copy of the news release for the information of council members.

Mayor Shier also had in his possession a report on water use in the Township of Brock. Although the document is quite technical he assured those present that Brock has good water. He passed this document around as well, requesting that it be returned to him as it will be reviewed by regional staff at an upcoming Regional Works Committee meeting.

Councillor Debbie Bath enquired of Mayor Shier whether the Region will be promoting their bale wrap program in ways other than this news release either by way of a newspaper advertisement or a direct mailing and was advised by Mayor Shier it is his understanding that the Region is trying to get word out to the agricultural community by way of the Federation of Agriculture and the newspapers and that it may also be included in the spring recycling mail out.

Councillor Bath commented that her business, Sugar and Spice is a kiosk for Durham Transit ticket sales and that during February they sold two tickets. She also commented on the Durham Transit brochure holders which have recently been installed at ticket kiosks, further advising of her concern that it holds information on Clarington and that it is her hope that the display in Clarington holds information on Brock Township.

## (2) Regional Councillor Larry O'Connor - Report to Council

Regional Councillor Larry O'Connor advised that transit ridership in the Township of Scugog has risen from 40 to 71 and that Brock's ridership is actually higher when you consider that Scugog has two day service vs. Brock's one day.

Regional Councillor Larry O'Connor advised that May 31 and June 1 are the scheduled moving days for the residents of Lakeview Manor and that they are seeking the assistance of volunteers to move the residents and settle them. Staff will pack up and move the belongings of the residents the day before in order that the volunteers will just be responsible for assisting the resident on moving day. The residents will have breakfast in the existing Manor and lunch, along with their volunteer assistant, in the new Manor. Each resident will receive a new bed as well as having a telephone, cable TV or computer. In response to concerns that have been raised insofar as an area in which a family might have a small private birthday party, there will be a new dining room which can accommodate up to 8 people with food being catered by the Manor staff or to be brought in by the resident's family. Demolition of the existing Manor is slated for June 12, 2006.

Regional Councillor O'Connor advised he attended a very informative meeting of the Beaverton & District Chamber of Commerce on February 22, 2006 with respect to credit card fraud. He suggested that the Chamber be contacted for further information in this regard.

He advised that he has also recently attended the Beaverton Lioness Open House which was modestly attended.

## (3) Councillor John Grant – Lakeview Manor

Councillor John Grant advised that he and his wife have volunteered to assist on the day of the Lakeview Manor move and encouraged other members of council and staff to volunteer as well.

(4) Councillor Karen Windatt – Proposed AIM PowerGen Tour

Councillor Karen Windatt enquired whether a firm date has been set yet for the AIM PowerGen Tour and was advised that the suggested dates are not accommodating for Regional Councillor O'Connor. Upon discussing this issue it was determined that April 12 be the first date of choice for the tour, followed by March 30, 2006.

(5) Regional Councillor Larry O'Connor re: Communication 505/06

Resolution No. 35-5

MOVED BY Larry O'Connor and SECONDED BY Debbie Bath that Brock Council endorses the position of Durham Region Council re: removal of barriers to family physicians, reference communication # 505/06.

MOTION CARRIED

(6) Mayor Keith Shier – Street Sweeping

Mayor Keith Shier advised that he received a call this past weekend from Brian Bassett who advised that it was necessary to close a portion of concession 11 (B) because of its rough condition. Mr. Bassett also requested that the streets in Cannington be swept at the same time as they are done in Sunderland. Mayor Shier advised he has relayed this request to the Director of Public Works.

(7) Mayor Keith Shier – Lake Simcoe Conservation Foundation Dinner Tickets

Mayor Keith Shier advised that the annual fundraising dinner hosted by the Lake Simcoe Conservation Foundation is fast approaching and should any member of council wish to purchase a ticket to contact him no later than March 20, 2006.

(8) Public Questions and Clarification

There were no public questions for clarification.

XII. ADJOURNMENT

Resolution No. 36-5

MOVED BY Reg Starr and SECONDED BY Karen Windatt that we do now adjourn at 2:35 p.m.

MOTION CARRIED

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MAYOR

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CLERK-ADMINISTRATOR